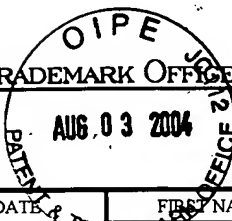




UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
 United States Patent and Trademark Office
 Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING OR 371 (c) DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
10/805,943	03/22/2004	Michael D. Briscoe	37,489-00

CONFIRMATION NO. 1033

FORMALITIES LETTER



OC000000012831770

BP America Inc.
 Docket Clerk, BP Legal, M.C. 5East
 4101 Winfield Road
 Warrenville, IL 60555

Date Mailed: 06/01/2004

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

08/06/2004 MAHHE1 00000082 10805943

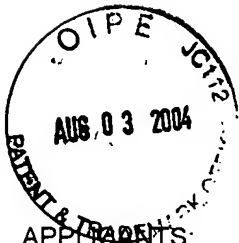
01 FC:1051

130.00 OP

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

T. L. L.
Customer Service Center
Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202

PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Michael D. Briscoe et al.) Customer No. 04249
)
APPLICATION NO.: 10/805,943) Group Art Unit: 1714
)
FILED: March 22, 2004) Examiner: Unknown
)
FOR: FUEL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING NATURAL) Attorney Docket No.:
GAS AND DIMETHYL ETHER AND METHODS) 37,489-00
FOR PREPARATION OF THE SAME)
)

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

EV512799241US

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITH SUFFICIENT POSTAGE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450 ON AUGUST 2, 2004.

By Carol M. Neth
(Signature)

CAROL M. NETH
(Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate)

Mail Stop Missing Parts
Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

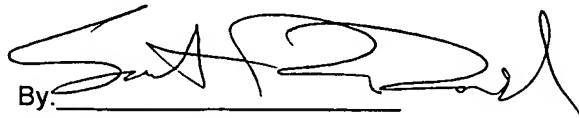
Sir:

Responsive to the "Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" mailed June 1, 2004 ("Notice"), Applicants submit this response, an executed Declaration, and copy of the Notice.

Please charge the surcharge of \$130.00 as required under 37 CFR 1.16(e) to our credit card according to PTO Form 2038 enclosed herewith. If this amount is incorrect, please charge any additional fee that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No 01-0528.

The two-month period for response set in the Notice ended on August 1, 2004, which is a Sunday, and as such, this response submitted on August 2, 2004 (the next business day) is timely and no extension of time is required.

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

Scott P. McDonald

Attorney for Applicants

Registration No. 34,871

Correspondence Address:

BP America Inc.
Docket Clerk, BP Legal, M.C. 5 East
4101 Winfield Road
Warrenville, Illinois 60555